

June 7, 2010

## Department of Environmental Quality

Amanda Smith Executive Director

Brad T Johnson Deputy Director

Joseph B. Shaffer, Director Tri-County Health Department 133 S 500 East Vernal, UT 84078

Dear Mr. Shaffer:

With this letter, I am forwarding the proposed one-year contract and draft work plan for FY11. As we have previously discussed in meetings with the Local Health Departments, this represents an interim measure while we work together to revamp the Environmental Service Delivery contracting process.

The total funding allotment Tri-County Health Department for FY2011 is \$64,315. This represents:

- A decrease in General Fund base of \$2,588. Due to the economy, the Legislature decreased DEQ's
  General Fund budget and, given the total General Fund cuts over the past two years, we had little
  choice but to pass on the decrease.
- Dropping UST and Used Oil funding. It is our understanding that, due to staff reductions, Tri-County can no longer be performing this work.
- A simplifying of the requirement for the Lead and Asbestos funds. (The amount remains the same) The change removes all but the public information requirement. The move eliminates the conflict of interest situation, identified by the Attorney General's Office, existing when LHDs both oversaw and performed inspections. The change allows those who are interested to perform inspections within their jurisdiction and to charge a fee for this service. It also changed the reporting requirement from quarterly to yearly.
- All other funding and requirements remains the same.

Please review these documents. If you are in agreement, please sign and return. If you have concerns, please let Renette Anderson know and she will work to resolve them.

Funding and adjustments become effective July 1, 2010. Annual reports on current fiscal year work are due by August 31, 2010. A reminder e-mail will be sent. Please place a copy of this letter in your contract file for future reference.

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Thank you for your continued partnership efforts.

Sincerely,

Brad T Johnson, Deputy Director

Attachments

cc: Darrin Brown, Environmental Health Director